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Local Sheep Men Harvest \$140,000.00

Wool Bringing 22 to 25 Cents per Pound and 75,000 Fleeces to Sell.

Shearing at the Fairfield shearing pens is about half over. Most of the local sheep men take off their fleeces at this point. The sheep are in fine condition and the fleeces are weighing up well. Representatives of eastern wool buyers have been at the different pens for the past ten days and have purchased many clips at prices ranging from 21 to 25 cents, depending on the quality. Local bankers have been acting as buyers for the woolmen in some instances.

Adamson Brothers of Pleasant Grove sold for 24 cents, and the Okleberry clip went for the same price. Henley Brothers at Alpine got 23 cents, and Joe Mayne of the same town got one cent higher. Brown and Friday and the Blinn Brothers got 23 cents, and others similar figures. Several of the sheep men are holding for 27 cents, the price secured by Chipman and Ingersoll several weeks ago, and will send their clips to the Chicago warehouse if they don't get it.

There are probably 75,000 fleeces owned by American Fork sheep men which at eight pounds to the fleece would make a total of 600,000 pounds of wool. At the prices now selling, this wool should bring close to \$140,000, which distributed in American Fork within the next sixty days should materially help in reviving business.

Court Dismisses Liquor Case

On motion of City Attorney Whitecotton, the liquor case of American Fork City against R. L. Small was dismissed this week in the District Court.

The evidence in the remaining untied case was practically the same as that in the one against Small and Kelly tried last week, resulting in their dismissal.

Hurricane of Indignation

Some unfortunate human soul, "it doth not yet appear" just whom he, or they, may be, if not the Supt. of waterworks, has incurred the righteous wrath of the larger portion of the housewives of the city; and when this hurricane of indignation has spent its force, it may have blown some careless city official from his position.

On Saturday morning, and Saturday too, of all days in the week, the "clean up day" of the household, the greater portion of the city's homes found themselves without water. Dishes were to wash, scrubbing to do, cooking to be attended to, all the thousand and one things pertaining to the Saturday work since the memory of man—and no water. Small wonder if these indignant housekeepers are hunting for someone's scalp! There are sorry tales of weekly washings half done; of distracted barbers, with customers half shaved; of distressed druggists with soda fountains, and no water to supply the demands; and all because someone connected with the water system did not deem it necessary to notify the public that it would have no water on Saturday morning.

Jesting apart, there is cause of complaint. Saturday is a busy day; and any day the people should be notified that the water would be shut off in time to make needful arrangements. No official should become so inflated over the honor and dignity of his position as to forget the consideration due to those whose servant he is presumed to be. When it is necessary to shut the water off, and we all know that it is some times courtesy would suggest that the people be notified.

A lack of water is not only inconvenient; but in such instances as the fire that occurred that morning, it might easily have serious consequences. Had the fire gained greater headway

before being discovered; or had there been a high wind instead of a light one, it would be difficult to predict where the danger and loss would have ended.

Would it not be well to have inquiry made into the matter, and some plan worked out that would prevent the water users being again unexpectedly deprived of water for home use; and the city deprived of its fire protection?

Dies In Colorado Buried at Home

Harry Lee, Who Moved to Windsor, Colorado Nine Years Ago, Brought Here For Burial—Funeral Services Tuesday.

Funeral services over the remains of Henry Lee were held in the 3rd ward chapel Tues. afternoon. The house was filled with sympathizing friends and the floral tributes were beautiful. Bishop J. R. Hindley presided and made remarks. Other speakers were Wm. S. Robinson and President Jas. H. Clarke. The ward choir did the singing.

Henry Lee was born in American Fork January 14, 1856. Most of his life was spent here. He and his brother started the first livery stable in American Fork. Nine years ago he went to Colorado, and for the past five years he has been acting as field superintendent for the sugar company at Windsor. Two years ago he married Miss Katie Flet, who accompanied the body to American Fork.

He leaves two children by his first wife, Delbert Lee and Miss Reba Lee, of this city. His brothers are Robert Lee and Oscar Lee. Mrs. Mary Comer, a sister living in Colorado, also accompanied the remains to Utah. He was a son of Henry and Margaret Lee, prominent in the early settlement of this city.

Sues For Death of Her Husband

Mrs. Alvina Steggell has commenced suit this week in the Fourth District Court against the Salt Lake and Utah Railroad company for \$2,995 damages for the death of her husband, Alexander Steggell, who was killed on the Interurban track just west of the American Fork City limits, September 25, 1914. She charges the company with negligence.

Our readers will remember the accident which was undoubtedly partly due to Mr. Steggell's deafness. He walked directly toward the oncoming work train with his head down, because of the early morning sun shining in his face. Many witnesses saw the accident as they were coming home from the morning shift of the sugar factory. After listening to all these witnesses the coronor's jury acquitted the company of any blame in the matter.

Fire On Roof

Last Saturday morning between ten and eleven, it was discovered that the W. S. Chipman residence on Main St. had caught fire in the roof, presumably from a spark from the chimney, as the flue has since been thoroughly examined and no defect found.

Had there been the usual force of water in the city that morning, the fire could have been extinguished with the garden hose before the department had been summoned. After the department's arrival and it was found that there was no water in the mains, grave fears were entertained for the safety of the home, for a light wind was blowing; but a ladder was put in place, "bucket brigade" hastily formed, and with the water from the ditch in the street the fire was put out.

The damage was slight, there was a space burned on the roof, which required the services of a carpenter and some new shingles; although under the circumstances it is a matter for thankfulness that it did not result more disastrously.

Prosperous Times Surely Coming

Alta's Boom Will Creep Over the Hill—Many Preparing to Do Extensive Development Work—Others Are Producing Good Ore Now.

The greatest activity in any mining camp in the state at present is in the Alta district. Almost daily there are reports of rich strikes, and of men who go to bed poor, awakening in the morning rich men. Alta is just over the hill from American Fork canyon, and prominent mining men say that the great activity at the head of the cottonwoods is sure to add a reflected light to the American Fork district.

Indications point to the greatest activity in the canyon this season that has been experienced in years. This week expert engineers have visited the Bay State at the head of the canyon, and the Interstate mine owned by the Stewarts in Deer Creek. In both cases the most flattering reports were given. As a result a force of miners have been put to work on the Interstate, and George Tyler and several other miners this week commenced running a tunnel to tap the Bay State vein. He expected to get the vein in fifty feet, but present indications are that he will get it much sooner.

The Wild Brothers came down this week but will return within the next few days. They report their strike in the Dutchman holding out well and are still sacking ore. The strike is now confined between definite walls and going down strong. So confident are they of its permanency that they have started a tunnel down the hill which will intersect the vein at a depth of about 60 feet, when it is in 140 feet. This will facilitate them greatly in extracting the ore.

Johnson Brothers are pegging away and send down reports that they will soon have ore.

The Old Pacific is still in mighty hard rock in the quartzite, but are making good progress.

Reports are that a big tunnel company will be formed that by driving 2,000 feet will tap many promising veins and unwater much valuable ground that it is generally considered profitable to work under present conditions. It is pointed out that the water thus obtained would probably pay for one-half of the tunnel's expense.

Ike Wadley is reported to have a good shipment ready, only awaiting

[Graduation Time]

May 7th has been designated as the day for High School Graduation Exercises of the whole County, to be held in the Alpine Stake Tabernacle at 10 a. m. Field day in the afternoon at the City Park—Dance in the evening in the famous Apollo.

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